

Nov. 5 was a free and fair election

The 2024 election is over. Some of us are happy with the results, others less so. But I cannot help but notice that all the rumblings about “cheating” and “election fraud” have dried up overnight.

Can we agree that this was a free and fair election that allowed voters to cast their ballots, even in the face of a devastating storm?

We all owe a huge thank you to the County Board of Elections, to their staff, and to the many volunteers who worked long hours at our polling places.

The Board was responsible for finding and sharing information about replacements for damaged polling places, helping displaced people to vote, and staffing additional early voting locations mandated by the N.C. Legislature with almost no notice.

And let’s not forget this was the first presidential election where voter ID was required. The amount of work and voter education that went into this cannot be overestimated.

As we move forward, we will still disagree about candidates and policies, but please can we agree to leave the accusations of voter fraud behind for good?

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